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BRITISH DRIVE REACHES THE CANAL DU NORD

LEGISLATIVE VOTERS' LEAGUE RECOMMENDS MEN FOR SPRINGFIELD

Cliffe, Devine, Brewer and Tourtillott Given High Praise In Report

PROBLEMS ARE VITAL

League Emphasizes the Importance of Strong Legislative Body

Chicago, Sept. 4.—"The state of Illinois will have especial need of strong and loyal men in the next legislature," is the dominant note of the report of the Legislative Voters' league to the primary voters of Illinois.

The report, issued by the executive committee of the league yesterday, in its foreword, says:

"In its investigation of the qualifications of the 567 legislative candidates in the field the Legislative Voters' league has found, as in other years, that there are a large number of candidates who are totally unfit, and many who would, if elected, reflect discredit upon the general assembly. In the list of candidates are several who now are or have been under indictment, others who have figured in the police courts, and scores who have no conception of the duties of a lawmaker. Unless reputable citizens generally turn out and vote intelligently at the primary they may witness the nomination of many candidates who are wholly undesirable. In that event there will be no recourse, as independent legislative candidates are seldom elected."

Vital Problems Up.
"With the nation at war the next general assembly of Illinois may

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GEO. BRENNER'S COUSIN WAS KILLED IN ITALY

MET HIS DEATH AS MEMBER OF AMERICAN AIR SQUADRON ON ITALIAN FRONT.

George Brenner of this city, who is home on a furlough, received a telegram today that his cousin, George Brenner, of York, Pa., was killed in an airplane fall on the Italian front, where he was detailed to duty with the Eighth aviation intersection, United States air service with the expeditionary forces.

Soon after the war was declared young Brenner, who was 23 years of age at the time of his death, was ordered to the Officers' Training school at Ft. Niagara, N. Y., and after a six weeks' course was sent to Kelly Field, Tex. On Nov. 1st he embarked with his squadron for overseas. After a short stay on French soil he was sent to the Italian front where he saw much active service.

His brother, Jacob Brenner, a former resident of Dixon, is now in the hospital at Kelly Field, suffering from injuries received while on duty in the aviation section of the signal corps. Jacob Brenner was severely injured in an airplane accident several days ago.

NINETEEN HELP SPREAD PETITION

The petition filed yesterday with City Clerk Grover asking that a special election be called to vote on a proposition to return to the old aldermanic form of government was circulated and certified to by the following: W. J. Barry, Patrick H. Fane, Joseph A. Schauf, Andrew Graft, George Berard, Dave Fane, Margaret Drew, George F. Walker, John Bradley, A. C. Woodruff, Jas. McCoy, George F. Woodruff, John Lowery, Joseph E. Henry, Frank Lowery, Jesse Whitebread, L. F. Redfern, Robert Frenzel and Frank C. Ortgelsen.

KINDERGARTEN OPENS TUESDAY

The North Dixon kindergarten opened its sessions Tuesday with an enrollment of thirty little folk. The enrollment would probably have been much greater had there not been a misunderstanding on the part of the parents that the kindergarten would not be opened until next week. Miss Ruef, with Miss Dorothy Hall as assistant, is in charge of the kindergarten.

THE FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN

The campaign for the Fourth Liberty Loan begins September 28 and closes October 19. While the amount has not yet been announced, it is generally conceded it will be for a larger amount than any of the preceding loans. The American people, therefore, are called upon to raise a larger sum of money in a shorter length of time than ever before. There is need, therefore, for prompt action—prompt and efficient work and prompt and liberal subscriptions.

We have a great inspiration for a great effort. The news from the battle front inspires every American heart, not only with pride and patriotism but with a great incentive to do his or her part. There is no shirking, no shifting of the individual burden, no selfishness by American soldiers in France; there should be none here. We are both supporting the same country and the same cause—our Army in one way, ourselves in another. Theirs is the harder part, but at least we can do our part as promptly and loyally and efficiently as they do theirs.

WEAKENED BRIDGE IS DISCOVERED ON N. W.

Serious Accident On Northwestern at Maywood Narrowly Averted

TRAFFIC IS DELAYED

Traffic on the Northwestern, which had been seriously delayed by the destruction of the coal chutes at Nelson Monday, was again hampered yesterday morning when the west end of the bridge over the Des Plaines river, east of Maywood, gave way. Passenger train No. 24, east bound, was the last train to cross the bridge during the day, for shortly afterwards the east end was discovered to be sagging. Mail train No. 26 and the Sterling passenger were held at Elmhurst until afternoon, while westbound trains were run around via the Wisconsin division. Up to a late hour last night all the trains over the Galena division were operating over the same detour. Railroad officials consider it very fortunate that the weakened condition of the bridge was discovered before a train had plunged into the river.

LIMITED SERVICE MEN OFF FOR CAMP GRANT

FIFTEEN LEE COUNTY BOYS LEFT THIS MORNING FOR MILITARY SERVICE.

In charge of Ralph W. Ruckman of Amboy as captain and Rae Chadwick and Myron Cummings of Dixon as lieutenants, fifteen Lee county limited service selectmen left at 7:22 this morning for Camp Grant, Rockford, the first contingent of limited service men to that camp this county. They were:

Myron W. Cummings, Dixon; Clarence Powell, Palmyra; Percy L. Tompkins, Dixon; Frederick W. Zanger, Nelson; Frederic Dillow, Amboy; George H. Walker, Dixon; Cecil R. Sunday, China; Rae E. Chadwick, Dixon; Wayne A. Milliken, South Dixon; John Bott, Dixon; Ralph O. Will, Dixon; Clarence A. Sanford, Dixon; James T. Hood, Brooklyn; William H. Rollins, Dixon; Ralph W. Ruckman, Amboy.

RAIN PREVENTS RACES AT FAIR

For the first time in several years the first day's races at the Whiteside County Fair were called off today because of the rain. It is probable races set for today will be added to the events for Thursday and Friday, one to each day's program. Tomorrow's program schedules the 2:20 trot, the 2:15 pace, the 2:25 pace, a 5-mile motorcycle race and a half mile running race. J. W. Hoyle of Dixon has his trotter Elantine entered in the 20 trot, in which race Lassie B. owned by Burke & McKee of Amboy, is also listed.

FOUR BROTHERS IN THE SERVICE

Percy Lee Tompkins, son of Silas Tompkins, who went to Camp Grant today with a group of limited service men from the Lee County Local Board, was the fourth Tompkins boy to go into the U. S. service. One brother, Thomas Tompkins, has been in the navy eight years, and the other brothers, Frank W. and Howard, are also in service. A fifth brother, Cleveland, who lives in the west, expects to go into service soon and is making his preparations.

Ed Harvey, son of James Harvey, who has been appointed captain of the group of general service men who leave for Camp Grant tomorrow morning, is the third of the Harvey boys to go into the war.

815 NAMES REPORTED IN CASUALTY RECORD

113 American Soldiers Killed In Action Reported By General Pershing

35 MEN FROM ILLINOIS

(Authorized Report.)
The following casualties are reported by the Commanding General of the American Expeditionary Forces:

Killed in action	53
Missing in action	75
Wounded severely	106
Died of disease	15
Wounded, degree undetermined	78
Died of wounds	7
Died from airplane accident	2
Died from accident and other causes	6
Total	402

ILLINOIS CASUALTIES.

Killed In Action.
Lt. Harry M. Kesler, Chicago.
Sgt. Fred Borg, Mt. Olive.
Corp. Theo. Miller, Chicago.
Corp. Edward Yates, Chicago.

Privates—
Harold J. Adams, Peoria.
Alfred Belluomini, Chicago.
Vincent George, Winnetka.
Robert Johnson, Chicago.
John M. Meade, Chicago.
Eugene H. Springer, Bloomington.
Wounded (Degree Undetermined).
Corp. (Musician) William D. Davidson, Chicago.

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OVERSEAS TROOPS REACH 1,600,000

Washington, Sept. 4.—General March, chief of staff, announced today that the total embarkation of American soldiers for all fronts, including Siberia passed the 1,600,000 mark on August 31.

In answer to a question, General March said that it was estimated that more than 250,000 American soldiers were landed in France during August. Therecord for a month is 285,000.

JOHN TULLY TO CAMP THIS MORN

John Tully, who registered in Minnesota, has been transferred to the local exemption board, and left today for Camp Grant. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Tully, of this city.

FORMER DIXONITE ON BIG TRANSPORT

L. H. Martin, a former Dixonite, and at one time Y. M. C. A. secretary here, is no longer in Y. M. C. A. work on the transport Madawaska and has crossed and recrossed the Atlantic many times, according to a letter from him received by friends here.

TOWN AUDITORS MET YESTERDAY

The township auditors, consisting of the Justices of the Peace, met at the office of Town Clerk Palmer yesterday afternoon and checked the accounts of Clerk Palmer, Treasurer Sterling, Highway Commissioner Penny and Thistle Commissioner McKenney. Bills against the township were also ordered paid. Highway Commissioner Penny reported a balance in the road and bridge fund of over \$2,000, which had accumulated despite the exceptional amount of good road work done the past year and the purchase of considerable machinery.

CONFERENCE TUESDAY TO PLAN ACTIVITIES OF Y. M. C. A. FOR YEAR

Leaders on Work Will Meet At Lowell Park For Preparatory Meet

CHICAGO SPEAKER

L. W. Messer Will Attend Conference—New Physical Director

Secretary Davis of the Y. M. C. A. is planning his fall work in behalf of the local association. He has been gathering the members of his several committees together and holding conferences frequently the past several weeks. The plans are to put on a vigorous fall campaign, along lines of membership renewals and industrial work. The industrial work will be a new venture but under the proposed plan it will doubtless be a big success. All nearby associations are starting industrial work, especially during the life of the war.

At Lowell Park.

The "setting up" conference will be held in Lowell Park next Tuesday afternoon and evening. Mrs. Graybill will prepare a supper for the men at the Lodge. In all forty of the city's business men will attend the

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REV. J. O. DUFFEY TO BECOME EVANGELIST

Pastor of Grace Evangelical Church Resigns Pastorate Here

WILL LEAVE THE CITY

Rev. J. O. Duffey, who for the past eighteen months has been the popular and successful pastor of Grace Evangelical church of this city, resigned his pastorate of that church at the service Sunday morning, explaining to the membership of the church that he was retiring from the pulpit to enter evangelistic work.

The young pastor, who has made a great many friends in this city, has been very interested in evangelistic work for many years, and had had some experience in that line before accepting the pulpit of the Dixon church. Since coming here he has received a number of calls to conduct revivals, and has finally determined to re-enter the work and specialize in it. His first work in his new calling will be at Weston, Ill., where he will open a three weeks' campaign on Sunday, Sept. 15.

Rev. Duffey and family will make their future home at Worthington, Minn., to which city they will move the latter part of next week. The best wishes of all their many Dixon and Sterling friends will follow them. The officers of the Grace church have as yet taken no steps towards filling the pulpit.

FIRST OF FOUR TALKS TONIGHT

Charles A. Alden will deliver the first of a series of four Wednesday evening patriotic lectures at The People's Church in this city, this evening at eight o'clock. The public is invited. No admission fee. The subject for this evening is "The Spirit of '76 and '18."

POLO YOUTH IS LIEUTENANT NOW

Among the men commissioned as second lieutenants of infantry at the Fourth Officers' Training School at Camp Grant which were announced this morning is Sergeant Robert G. Copenhaver of Polo. The young man was, prior to his commission, a member of Co. L, 342nd Inf.

THE WEATHER

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Illinois—Rain this afternoon, cloudy and cooler tonight with rain in the extreme east; Thursday fair, with slowly rising temperature.
Monday 80 65
Tuesday 64 55 80
Wednesday 71 51 15

TODAY'S WAR BULLETINS

Lens Finally Abandoned

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London, Sept. 4 (4:25 P. M.).—The city of Lens has been definitely evacuated by the Germans, according to the reports from northern France today. The British, it is stated, have refrained from occupying the city only because of the gas fumes remaining. Patrols, protected against the fumes, have entered the city and found it to be cleared of the enemy.

Germans To Quit Vesle Region?

By Associated Press Leased Wire
London, Sept. 4 (4:30 P. M.).—The Germans contemplate a general retirement from the Vesle region, where they have been facing the Franco-American forces along that river, according to communications from the battle front today. Recent Franco-American successes in the south apparently have brought about this decision. Large convoys were seen moving toward the rear in this section today and bridges are being destroyed.

General Graves In Vladivostok

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Washington, Sept. 4.—The arrival of Major General Graves and his staff at Vladivostok to take command of all the American forces on the new eastern front was announced by General March. General Graves took 43 officers and 1,388 men with him from the United States, who will join the regiment from the Philippines already on the ground.

Germans In Full Flight

By Associated Press Leased Wire
With the British Army in France, Sept. 4 (Noon).—British troops are reported this morning to have taken Moeuvres, 3 1-2 miles southeast of Queant, but the capture of that place has not been confirmed.
The Germans are in full flight in the region of the canal Du Nord, and appear to be more than ever disorganized. A thousand additional prisoners were captured last night by Field Marshal Haig's forces.

French Think End Is Near

By Associated Press Leased Wire
London, Sept. 4 (Via Montreal).—Paris newspapers today print the following semi-official statement: "The hour seems close at hand when the superb efforts of the allies will begin to bear fruit, one of our great chiefs said yesterday. 'We are on the last lap and close to the winning post.'"

Americans See Patrol Actions

By Associated Press Leased Wire
With the American Troops in France, Sept. 3 (5:30 P. M.).—There was considerable patrol activity on the American front in the Vosges region last night. An enemy raiding party of 50 approached the American trenches at one point. The raid was driven off by rifle fire.
The artillery has been active on both sides in this sector, the enemy using fire and sneeze gas shells.
In the Woëvre sector an American patrol penetrated the enemy lines after cutting several strands of barbed wire. Other patrols met small groups of the enemy and drove them off without difficulty.

Beat Teuts In Macedonia

By Associated Press Leased Wire
London, Sept. 4 (Official).—Forces of the Central Powers on September 2 attacked entente allied troops under cover of an intense bombardment on the left bank of the Vardar river in Macedonia. The enemy was driven back by a counter attack.

RAIN; GAME POSTPONED

Chicago, Sept. 4.—Rain, which began falling before 6 o'clock today, caused the postponement till tomorrow of the opening game of the world's series between the Boston Americans and the Chicago Nationals.

DISORGANIZED HUNS CANNOT CHECK PUSH OF HAIG'S TROOPERS

Vital Railroad Centers of Cambrai and Douai, Necessary to German Defense On West Front, Are Being Neared By British Forces—Gen. Mangin's Forces Driving Onward Toward the Forest of St. Gobain

THE BRITISH CAPTURE SEVERAL MORE VILLAGES

By Associated Press Leased Wire

The British have driven home their push through the Wotan line as far as the canal Du Nord and as yet their progress has not been reported checked.

Already, the wedge driven into the German defenses in the section between the railroad centers of Douai and Cambrai is a menacing one to the enemy, who must stop the British on the canal line here if they hope to save these places—vital points in the German defensive system on the western front.

Enemy Troops In Disorder.
Disorganization in the German ranks is reported unofficially in the advices from the front; however, apparently the enemy cannot manage to reconstruct his defensive organization in time to hold the British, even temporarily along the canal line.

Drive Toward Cambrai.
The main portion of the British push seems to be directed toward Cambrai, along both the Bapaume-Cambrai and the Arras-Cambrai roads, and in the terrain lying between these highways. In this area the British are reported to have captured the villages of Inche-en-Artois and Moeuvres.

This represents an advance of between 3 1-3 and 4 miles since yesterday, beyond the southern sector of the famous switch line at Queant.

Cross Canal Du Nord.
Further south the British have reached the line of the Du Nord canal well down to Peronne, on the Somme, making the front along this waterway cover an extension of more than 20 miles. As a matter of fact, they are reported as having even crossed the canal along the southern length, just north of Peronne.

The menace to both Cambrai and Douai may be indicated by the fact that the British are within 5 1-2 miles of the outskirts of the former city and not more than 6 miles from Douai.

Near Byng's 1917 Drive.

At Inche-en-Artois they are little more than two miles from Bourlon wood, the position where General Byng was temporarily anchored in his drive at Cambrai last fall, marking what was virtually the nearest approach to that city. The wedge driven in by General Byng last year was on a narrow front, and a German counter attack on the flank ousted the British disastrously, whereas at present the advance is on a far wider front and offers no apparent opportunity to the enemy for a counter blow. Especially is this true in view of the present reported state of German disorganization, due to the constant pounding by the allies on the front from Rheims to Arras since mid-July.

Advance in Lys Salient.

To the north the Germans are still retreating and the British have captured several towns in the Lys salient. The enemy is reported retiring from the sector south of La Basse, but this report has not been confirmed, however, and the Germans apparently still hold a greater part of Lens, the big coal mining center in this area, although the British are in the western section of that town.

General Mangin Makes Progress.

On the French front General Mangin's forces have made important progress in the direction of the forest of St. Gobain, which defends Laon. His forces have reached the edge of the important town of Coudun-Le-Chateau and have pushed further eastward in their flanking movement to the north of Soissons. More than 1,500 additional prisoners have been taken.

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PEACE, WHEN BERLIN IS REACHED.

The Bache Review, for last week, says, under the caption, "The Length
of the War":

The length of continuance of the war is the only uncertainty. Should
the German command, in infatuated stupidity, elect to struggle to the last,
the war may continue another year, or even much longer.

But these sudden pigs in lust for plunder, and wolves in cruel thirst
for blood and destruction, have, nevertheless, cowardly sneaking traits
when threatened with shattering defeat and will squirm and whine for
peace soon in hopes to save some plunder, as well as their precious hides,
from the avenging storm of righteous extinction which is descending upon
them.

The Allies are now better prepared to meet their offers with scorn and
contempt than formerly, before Germany's doom had become so plainly
sealed. Then the poisonous brood of pacifists were able to gain a hearing.

Every pacifist in this country is either a defective or a crook. But they
are scattered everywhere. They are biding their time to whisper and plead
for a beaten nation. Their societies have been destroyed by the Government,
but individually they still work. Some of their newspapers have been seized.
Others have been bought by powerful loyal interests. In these last a
thorough housecleaning has not always been made, and here and there an
insidious pro-German or England-hater manages to get in a nasty para-
graph. Also, there are still powerful press interests which are pretending to
be loyal, but waiting only for the sobbing peace proposition, when they will
join in the appeal for pity and forgiveness for a foe prostrated.

A prominent German, an exile in Switzerland, knows his own country-
men, and says of them in the New York Times: "Having won half the
world by bloody murder, they are going to win the other half with tears in
their eyes crying for mercy."

THE GREATEST DANGER TODAY IS FROM PEACE. IT IS IM-
POSSIBLE TO REACH BERLIN WITH OUR ARMIES THIS WINTER,
AND ANY TALK OF PEACE BEFORE THAT IS TREASON.

MEN MUST GET STEADY JOBS.

When the new Selective Service Law goes into effect, occupational ex-
emptions are going to be harder to get than heretofore, because the "work
or fight" order is going to stick. According to a statement by Secretary of
War Baker, telegraphed to the Publicity Department of the State Council
of Defense, to get exempted from military service because he is in an in-
dispensable industry must continue in such industry. As soon as he gives
up such a job, except as a striker in a labor dispute, he becomes liable to
military service. The Secretary says:

"A man who gets an industrial exemption by reason of his being
an indispensable operative in an indispensable industry ceases to have
that exemption as soon as he ceases to be an operative in that industry.

"The boards have never applied that principle in the case of bona
fide disputes between labor as an aggregate and employers as an aggre-
gate, but they have always prevented the men taking refuge behind in-
dustrial exemption and then discontinuing the work for which he re-
ceived exemption, so that the apparent purpose of the Senate amend-
ment is already in operation.

"The reason for the exemption of married men is dependency, and
not status."

This statement of Secretary Baker puts the question fairly up to all
individuals of draft age either to get themselves jobs in essential war in-
dustries, and keep them, or be prepared to enter the military service.

WHY THEY ARE CALLED HUNS.

A correspondent of the Reuter Agency (the European equivalent of
the Associated Press) was with the American troops when they chased the
Germans out of Chateau Thierry. And this is what he telegraphed the
London Times of the wanton destruction of the Germans who claim to
have reformed their policy of frightfulness:

"Having last night to write very hurriedly, I omitted to mention one
of the most significant acts of destruction perpetrated by the German of-
ficers in Chateau Thierry. In one house there was a valuable library
which included hundreds of rare, old books, a great number of wonderful
bindings, illuminated missals, and ancient manuscripts. There was not a
single volume or missal which was not mutilated. The exquisitely tooled
covers were wrenched off, pages torn out, and some foul liquid poured over
the illuminations which had defied the fading of time for centuries.

"Now, it is possible to imagine the mood which might smash mirrors
or slash at pictures, and even the vindictive barbarism which might break
lovely statues, but the slow, laborious destruction of hundreds upon hun-
dreds of books implies a condition of moral degradation besides which
theft and looting look like manly vices. Even murder may have more to
commend it. The men that could vent their spite in the manner of the
German officers at Chateau Thierry are not men with whom a civilized com-
munity can make any sort of terms. They are not noble savages; they
are evil-minded degenerates."

CITY IN BRIEF

Ray Springer has returned home,
after spending a week in Milwaukee
and Chicago.

Miss Marie Maloney returned to
Chicago Monday morning, after
spending her vacation with Mr. and
Mrs. John Loftus.

Fancy Elberta Peaches by the
bushel for canning, fancy apples at
50c peck, cabbage and onions, 3c
lb., evaporated milk, 12c can, sweet
and sour pickles, 10c doz, corn
starch 10c package, sweet potatoes
and sweet corn, good pork and
beans, 15c can, fancy red salmon 23c
can, matches 6c box, soap 6c bar.
Fresh eggs wanted. We deliver free.

TETTRICK'S GROCERY
20312 Phone 109

Mrs. Ella Ashby of Cedar Rapids,
Ia., sister of Roy Bridges of this city,
is seriously ill. Mrs. Ashby was for-
merly from this city.

Mr. and Mrs. George Deland of
Waterloo, Ia., are here visiting rela-
tives. They were former residents of
Dixon.

Mrs. Frank Morgan is recovering
from a recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McIntyre have
returned from a visit in Detroit,
Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. George Downing
spent Monday in Chicago.

Miss Maude Gitt has returned
from her vacation and has resumed
her duties in the circuit clerk's of-
fice.

Ed Chadwick of Ashton was here
Tuesday calling on friends.

Deputy Sheriff Frank Schoenholz
went to Hinkel Tuesday afternoon on
business.

Dr. L. A. Beard, son, and son-in-
law, M. J. Anderson of Polo, were
Dixon visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Walter Harig and son,
George, returned to their home in
Chicago after a two weeks' visit with
her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Graff.

Rev. J. M. McCulloch and family
of the Nachusa Orphanage, visited
Sunday and Monday with relatives at
Pearl City. Rev. McCulloch address-
ed a meeting at Kent Sunday even-
ing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crawford and
daughter, Miss Ruth, left Tuesday
morning for an extended visit
in the east.

Miss Seville Crawford will return
today from a visit with friends
and relatives in Chicago.

A. W. Carlson and family of Ham-
let, Ind., were here for a week or
more visiting relatives and friends.

Miles Eberly came out from Chica-
go for an over Sunday visit at the
Charles Barton home and with other
relatives.

Horace Street and wife, who have
been visiting relatives here for a
month or more, returned to their
home in Minneapolis Monday morn-
ing.

Miss Florence Watts and Miss
Madge Hogan went to The Dells
Monday morning where they will
spend their vacation.

Mrs. Harley Courtwright has return-
ed from an extended visit in cities in
Nebraska and Illinois.

Henry Kenneth is making a busi-
ness trip in the west.

John Betebenner of Polo, was in
Dixon Tuesday.

Miss Florence Bowen spent Satur-
day and Monday at her home in Polo.

Miss Hazel Junk is a new assist-
ant at the Mrs. Woolever Millinery
store.

Prof. W. H. Smith went to Frank-
lin Grove this morning.

After a three weeks' visit, Profes-
sors Swarthout, sons of Mrs. Swarth-
out, of Dixon, who visited the home
of their uncle, Clyde Smith, have re-
turned with their families, to their
homes in Des Moines, Ia.

Dr. E. A. Sickels will leave tonight
for LaCrosse on professional busi-
ness.

Guy Miller went to Polo this
morning on business.

Harry White of the Clinton, Ia.,
shoe company, was in Dixon today
calling on friends and transacting
business.

John Goltman, salesman for the
Clinton shoe company, was in Dixon
today calling on the shoe trade.

Mrs. T. K. Webster and party of
friends of Oregon were visiting
friends in Dixon Tuesday afternoon.

M. E. Rice and family are visiting
in Chicago for a few days.

Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Jordan of St.
Louis who have been stopping at the
Nachusa Tavern for several days left
this morning for Davenport for a
visit with friends and relatives.

FROLICKERS WILL
RESUME DANCING

The Frolickers Club, the organi-
zation of high school young men
who conducted so many pleasant
dancing parties last season, have ar-
ranged to continue the affairs this
year, and announce the first of the
series will be held at Rosbrook's hall
Friday evening, to which all their
friends are invited.

SUGAR PRICES
IN MANY LANDS

The total sugar consumption in the
United States for 1917-1918 was 8-
218,532,000 pounds. In Great Brit-
ain the total consumption for 1916
amounted to 3,131,198,000 pounds.
In France for the same period it was
1,141,242,000 pounds. In Italy,
553,906,000 pounds; while in Cana-
da for the year ending March 31,
1917, the total amount of sugar con-
sumed for 704,400,000 pounds.

The wholesale cost of sugar per
hundred pounds on May 1st was
\$8.07 in Canada, \$12.59 in England,
\$12.28 in France and \$26.30 in Italy,
as compared with \$7.30 in this coun-
try. The average wholesale cost per
hundred pounds in the Allied coun-
tries was \$12.524, so that if the
United States had paid the same
price for sugar as that paid by the
Allied countries, our national sugar
bill would have been increased by
\$429,419,864.50.

In Sweden sugar is now selling at
14 cents a pound, Spain at 19 cents,
Brazil at 25 cents, Portugal at 21.4
cents and India at 14 cents.

The present retail price of sugar in
the United States is 8 1/2 to 10 cents
per pound.

WHITESIDE MAN
HANGS HIMSELF

Rock Falls, Ill., Sept. 4.—Special
to THE TELEGRAPH.—Albert Kohn,
age 33 years and single, a resident
of Prophetstown, committed suicide
by hanging himself at 8 o'clock this
morning. He has acted queerly for
several days and it is believed his
mind was unbalanced.

FRANK GORHAM
HOME FOR VISIT

Frank Gorham of the U. S. S. Ver-
mont, of the Atlantic Fleet, arrived
home last night on a sixteen-day fur-
lough. He brought with him his
companion on board ship, Mr. John
McMinnan of Chicago. Since Mr.
Gorham has been assigned to the U.
S. S. Vermont he has been all
through the southern waters, cruising
along the coast of South America
and other southern countries.

Robert Anderson of the U. S. S.
Vermont is expected home next week
on a furlough.

NAME OFFICERS
FOR CONTINGENT

Edward F. Harvey of Dixon has
been selected captain of the contin-
gent that leaves tomorrow morning
at 6:40 for Camp Grant for general
military service. Fred Smith and Jo-
seph L. O'Connor of Dixon and John
M. Honeycutt of Amboy were chosen
lieutenants.

FROM ROCHELLE HOSPITAL.
Miss Mabel Giese who underwent
an operation in the Rochelle hospital
three weeks ago for appendicitis,
came home today.



Frank A. Schoenholz
(Chief Deputy Sheriff)
Republican Candidate for
SHERIFF OF LEE COUNTY

Primaries September 11, 1918

Your Vote and Support is Solicited

MR. VOTER: Does it mean any-
thing to you that a candidate has had
four years' experience in the work of
the office he is seeking, has the neces-
sary qualifications, has given all a
square deal and kept a clean rec-
ord? If so, please show it Septem-
ber 11th by marking your ballot
thus:

X FRANK A. SCHOENHOLTZ

ABE MARTIN



What gets me is how th' kaiser
could talk with his head thrown back
an' his mouth full o' tools. When
Miss Ermie Moots wuz asked about
th' rumor that she wuz engaged t'
a certain corporal, she replied, "In
so fer as regards that's concerned
ther haint nothin' into it."

ALL BANKS GET
STATEMENT CALLS

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Washington, Sept. 4.—The com-
ptroller of the currency today issued
a call for the condition of all national
banks at the close of business of
Saturday, Aug. 31.

State Banks.
By Associated Press Leased Wire
Springfield, Ill., Sept. 4.—A call
for the condition of Illinois state
banks at the opening of business on
Tuesday, September 3, was issued to-
day by State Auditor Andrew Rus-
sell.

The Ogle County Teachers' Insti-
tute is in session at Oregon this
week. County Supt. L. W. Miller
will attend several days.

L. E. Lockland and party of friends
was here from Sycamore Tuesday vis-
iting friends. They stopped at the
Nachusa Tavern.

You should see our
complete showing of
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A few features of the "SIDWAY" Col-
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Easy to Push
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Plenty of Room
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Come in and be shown why the "Sidway"
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Can't sleep! Can't eat! Can't even digest what little you do eat!
One or two doses
**ARMY & NAVY
DYSPEPSIA TABLETS**
will make you feel ten years younger. Best
known remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach
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25 cents a package at all Druggists, or
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Assured Styles Early

An Advanced Fall Showing of Wooltex
Coats and Suits

Coat and suit buying is a problem, no matter what mere husbands and brothers
say about the pleasures of shopping—especially when one wants the new
styles early.

It is much more so for the woman who wants to make the most serviceable
purchase of her coat and suit from a purse already heavily taxed.

But Wooltex has helped us solve the
problem for many of the women of
this vicinity, especially for her who
wants to be among the first to appear
in the new styles and still have a gar-
ment that is stylish all the rest of the
season. So many coats, as you know,
are in style today and out tomorrow.

Assured styles are created in the
Wooltex Fifth Avenue Studio. They
know what style will remain the fash-
ion all season. Combined with this
"safety" in style is Wooltex quality
of workmanship, which keeps the
garment looking "just like new" all
season.

This advance style showing will help you solve your clothes question. There
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Prices \$25, \$27.50, \$35, \$37.50, up to \$85;
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Here also is a Splendid Collection of Serge and
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You are sure to find the model best suited to your wants in this assemblage of
new Fall dresses of Satin, Serges and combinations of Satin and serge, button,
braid and fringe are the most popular trimmings. To see these may decide
your dress problems.

Priced at \$16.50, \$18.50, \$22.50, \$25 to \$35

O. H. Martin & Co.
Dixon, Illinois

WOMEN ARE BEING RECRUITED IN NEWEST BRANCH OF ARMY SERVICE

To each woman in the country between 19 and 35 years of age comes this week a call to enlist in the great army that must be the auxiliary of every army of soldiers that offers itself to its country for battle. This is the army of trained nurses. The United States government now calls for 25,000 student nurses to prepare themselves for duty with the army hospitals, for Red Cross nursing, and for civilian hospital work. Every woman whose health is good and whose circumstances make it possible for her to answer the summons, is urged to respond.

"The pick of the country"—that is what Uncle Sam is calling for among women, just as he has called the pick of our young manhood to defend the cause for which the allied nations are fighting. Intelligent, responsible women of good education and sound health are wanted; a college education is a valuable asset and many hospitals will give credit for it. Credit will also be given for special scientific equipment or for preliminary training in nursing, such as that given in special courses now being conducted in various schools and classes. But in some cases, even a full high school education is not required.

Women will be given an opportunity to enroll in the United States Student Nurse Reserve in any one of three ways:

1. As engaging to hold themselves in readiness until April 1, 1919, to accept assignments to nurses' training schools in civilian hospitals. These women will be sent to the schools as fast as vacancies occur. Those of superior qualifications will be given preference, and it is, of course, possible that not every one who enrolls will be accepted.

2. As desiring to become candidates for the Army Nursing School recently established by authority of the War Department, with branch schools in selected military hospitals.

3. As engaging to hold themselves in readiness until April 1, 1919, to accept assignments to either a civilian training school or

the Army Nursing School. Those who so enroll will be called where the first need arises. The Government hopes that a majority of those who enroll will thus put down their names for both.

The term of training varies from two to three years, according to the requirements of the particular school to which the student nurse may be sent. At present every woman who satisfactorily completes her training in any accredited school is eligible for service as an army nurse at the front and stands a chance of being assigned to duty abroad. At the same time she will be qualified to earn her living in one of the noblest professions open to women. Her usefulness will begin, not when she graduates from the training school, but as soon as she enters it. Practical nursing work is a part of the work of every training school and the student nurse is not only learning to serve but is actually serving her country from the outset.

The student nurse gets her board, lodging and tuition free at practically every training school, and in most cases receives a small remuneration to cover the cost of books and uniforms.

The Woman's Committee of the Council of National Defense has sent to every one of its state and local units in the country full instructions for the mobilization of young women in the United States Student Nurse Reserve, beginning on July 29th. Surgeon General Gorgas of the Army, Surgeon General Rupert Blue of the Public Health Service, the American Red Cross, and the Council of National Defense, are joining forces in this campaign and already the state divisions of the Woman's Committee, by whom the enrollment is to be conducted, are establishing recruiting stations throughout the country.

Go to the nearest headquarters of the Woman's Committee, State Council of Defense, and find enrollment card and information. Hospitals in every part of the country are preparing to receive the student nurses.

ALIEN ENEMIES MUST GET PERMIT TO MOVE

U. S. MARSHAL BRADLEY ISSUED INSTRUCTIONS TO REGISTERED ALIENS HERE.

John J. Bradley, United States Marshal for the Northern District of Illinois, has issued the following new instructions concerning the registration of German alien enemies:

Registered German alien enemies, male and female, changing their place of residence to another place within the same registration district, shall immediately report such change to the registration officer of the registration district and present to such registration officer his or her registration card for the purpose of having endorsed thereon by such registration officer the change of residence.

A registered German alien enemy male or female, who desires to change his or her place of residence within another registration district must obtain a permit. Such German alien must present himself or herself to the registration officer of the district in which he or she then resides and make application for the permit on a form provided by the registration officer, and present his or her registration card to the registration officer for the purpose of having the permit of change of residence, if granted, endorsed upon the registration card. If the registration officer denies the application there may be an appeal to the United States Marshal of the judicial district for final action.

The alien enemy to whom permission is granted to change place of residence from one registration district to another must forthwith report his or her arrival in the registration district into which he or she moves to the registration officer of that district and exhibit to him the registration card with permit of change of residence endorsed thereon; and such alien enemy is hereby required so to report.

A change of residence in violation of the regulations subjects an alien enemy, among other penalties, to arrest and detention for the period of the war.

MARK TROSTLE OVER HIS WOUNDS

Word received by Franklin Grove relatives from Mark Trostle, who was recently wounded in France, is to the effect that he has completely recovered from his injuries and has been transferred to the Engineers. He describes his "home" four and a half feet underground, with board floor, burlap on the walls and protected by sandbags, and says he is well fed and clothed.

W. D. Barge of Chicago had been here for several days visiting relatives and friends.

Mrs. Charles E. Brenner of York, Pa., is here visiting her son, George Brenner.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.
I wish to announce my candidacy in the republican primary for nomination as Representative in the Illinois General Assembly. Primary election September 11. Your support will be appreciated.
ALBERT T. TOURTILLOTT.

Atty. William Barge of Chicago, is a guest at the Nachusa Tavern. Mr. Barge is a former Dixonite and now is a prominent lawyer in Chicago.

HOW TO AVOID BACKACHE AND NERVOUSNESS

Told by Mrs. Lynch From Own Experience.

Providence, R. I.—"I was all run down in health, was nervous, had headaches, my back ached all the time. I was tired and had no ambition for anything. I had taken a number of medicines which did me no good. One day I read about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and what it had done for women, so I tried it. My nervousness and backache and

headaches disappeared. I gained in weight and feel fine, so I can honestly recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to any woman who is suffering as I was."—Mrs. ADELINA B. LYNCH, 100 Plain St., Providence, R. I.

Backache and nervousness are symptoms of nature's warnings, which indicate a functional disturbance or an unhealthy condition which often develops into a more serious ailment. Women in this condition should not continue to drag along without help, but profit by Mrs. Lynch's experience, and try this famous root and herb remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—and for special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Med. Co., Lynn, Mass.

TO PEOPLE WHO CHAFE
Over one hundred thousand people in this country have proved that nothing relieves the soreness of chafing as quickly and permanently as "Sykes Comfort Powder." 25c at Vinol and other drug stores. Trial Box Free.

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SNEAK THIEF GOT \$600 IN DR. SICKELS' SAFE

Someone Who Knew Combination to Strong Box Made Good Haul

LEFT SOME VALUABLES

Sunday morning between 9:30 and 11 o'clock some one robbed the safe at Dr. E. A. Sickels' office, and took \$599.75. While the robbery was taking place Dr. Sickels was on professional duty at the Dixon hospital. Early Sunday morning the doctor was in his office, looked over his mail, arranged his papers on his desk and later left for the hospital. Upon his return he intended to write several letters. When he returned he went to his desk, and noticed that his papers had been disarranged. Several drawers in the desk had been opened and papers therein had been disarranged. He thought nothing about that, but later he had occasion to open the safe and when he did he discovered his loss.

Apparently the robbery was not the work of an expert, for

There was a sack in the safe containing \$100 in silver. \$25 of this was left.

There was a sack containing \$13 in dimes and nickels. This was left; There was a sack containing gold pieces amounting to several dollars. This was left;

There were checks amounting to several hundred dollars. These were left;

\$250 worth of War Savings Stamps were untouched; \$350 worth of last Liberty Bonds were untouched.

In addition to the amount of money taken, a gold watch valued at \$25 was taken.

Dr. Sickels when seen this morning stated that the money taken was being saved for investment in the next Liberty Bond drive.

"I think that the person who entered the safe and took the money and watch had the combination to the safe. It is apparent that the person who committed the robbery was not an expert, for had he been he would not have taken the trouble to count out \$75 of the silver and leave \$25. An expert would have cleaned the safe," said Dr. Sickels.

Chief of Police Van Bibber has the case in hand and is now working on it with the hope that the person or persons will be brought to justice.

Samuel Wetzel of Sterling was transacting business here Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey and family of Oak Park are guests at the F. T. Self home on Highland avenue.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Stromz, Day & Co., Chicago.

Corn—	Sept. 154 1/2	156 1/2	154 1/2	155 1/2
Oct. 157	158 1/2	156 1/2	156 1/2	156 1/2
Nov. 154 1/2	156 1/2	154 1/2	155 1/2	
Oats—	Sept. 70 1/2	71 1/2	70 1/2	70
Oct. 72 1/2	73 1/2	72	72 1/2	
Nov. 73 1/2	74 1/2	73 1/2	74 1/2	

CASH GRAIN:

Wheat—	1 red—226 1/2
	2 red—223 1/2
	3 red—219
	2 hard—223
	4 hard—210 to 214
	Sample grade—200

Corn—	3 mixed—155 to 156
	6 mixed—135
	2 yellow—160 to 162
	3 yellow—157
	4 yellow—154
	5 yellow—145 to 152
	6 yellow—135 to 144
	Sample grade—106 to 142

Oats—	3 white—69 1/2 to 70 1/2
	Standard—69 1/2 to 70 1/2

Barley—

	95 to 108
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CHICAGO LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Hogs, 14,000.	5c higher.	Top.
20.40.		
Mixed, 18.60 to 19.40.		
Good, 18.60 to 18.90.		
Rough, 17.75 to 18.25.		
Light, 19.50 to 20.40.		
Cattle, 16,000.	19.10 top.	
Sheep, 30,000.		



Republican Primaries Sept. 11

x Geo. F. Brooks

FOR SHERIFF
Your support will be appreciated

NOTICE!

Mr. Morrison, representing the

Grinnell Washing Machine Co.

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Today and Thursday

demonstrating the "LAUNDRY QUEEN" ELECTRIC WASHER.

The people of Dixon are requested to see this machine that does the washing, rinsing, blueing and wringing. Will be sold for less at this demonstration than at any time in the future. The Government will allow only a certain number of machines manufactured. SOLD BY

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It is rust that ruins ranges. Rust from the inside—rust that can't be stopped except when the range is made, and then only by placing a sheet of pure copper between the asbestos and range body. The Copper-Clad is the only range so made—and the Copper-Clad Idea is patented. Buy a Copper-Clad.—The World's Greatest Range.

W. H. WARE

211 FIRST STREET

PHONE 171

815 NAMES REPORTED IN CASUALTY RECORD

(Continued from Page 1)

Privates—
Millard F. Adams, E. St. Louis.
Roy S. Sekhardt, Monmouth.
Charlie A. Henderson, Jacksonville.

Harry O. E. Sandberg, St. Charles.
Missing in Action.
Bat. Sgt. Major Frank W. Raymond, Chicago.
Sgt. George Nelms, Centralia.
Sgt. Sherman Ripperden, Omaha.

MARINE CORPS LIST.

Killed in action 3
Died of wounds 1
Wounded severely 1
Wounded, degree undetermined 2

Total 7
No Illinois men were reported in today's Marine Corps casualties.

MORNING LIST.

Killed in action 57
Missing in action 95
Wounded severely 143
Died of wounds 14
Died from accident and other causes 5

Wounded, degree undetermined. 82
Died of disease 8
Died from airplane accident 2

ILLINOIS CASUALTIES.

Died From Accident.

Corp. Wayman Guinn, Evanston.

Wounded Severely.

Sgt. Ira E. Gillespie, Mattoon.

Sgt. Earl D. Seaton, Peru.

Corp. James A. Cook, Granite City.

Privates—

Albert Meyer, Mattenden.

Louis Raczyński, Lisle.

John McCoy, Chicago.

Albert Borst, Chicago.

Frank T. Valentine, Chicago.

James J. Sibrava, Chicago.

John M. Tallo, Willisville.

Wounded (Degree Undetermined.)

Sgt. Frank J. Stachowski, Cicero.

Corp. August F. Scha, Litchfield.

Privates—

Charles J. Ryan, Chicago.

Missing in Action.

Lt. Alan Winslow, River Forest.

Pvt. William M. Loran, Chicago.

Pvt. Charles Morris, Chicago.

HAD OPERATION.

Miss Annette Gonnerman underwent an operation at the Dixon hospital this forenoon.

John R. Oester of Sublette was in town today.

Ask Johnson

Tractor Owners—Buy Now

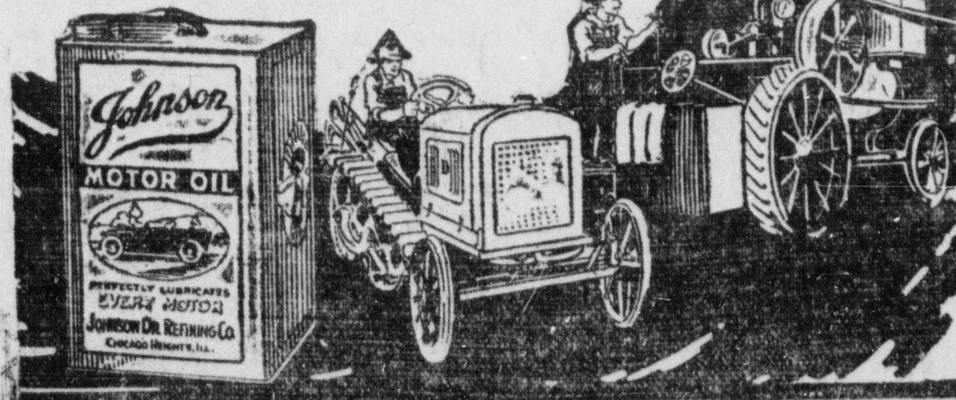
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We have suburban homes with 1/2 acre, 1 acre, 1 1/2 acres and on up to 23 acres at reasonable prices.

Renters will probably never have better chances to buy homes RIGHT than right now. We have homes from \$800.00 up, and some of them can be bought with small payments down.

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If you have rooms to rent put a "For Rent" ad in the Evening Telegraph, the paper with the largest circulation of any paper in Lee Co.

New Fall Samples of Suits Made to Measure

ALL WOOL SUITS \$23.50

Closing Out—New Summer Underwear at old prices
Hats at reduced prices to close out the stock.

Todd's Hat Store
Opera House Block

NOTICE

I have purchased the Grocery Business of W. B. McCREA, Ashton, and would appreciate the trade of all old customers and would like to have all my friends come in and get prices.

J. J. THOME

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NOTICE.

Any person wishing to pay their account with me or wishing to transact other business will find my office located in Osborn's shoe repair shop. All accounts paid at this time will be greatly appreciated. Graybill's Tire & Vulcanizing Shop, near the bridge. Phone 221 or 446. 12

LAND

Any one wishing to buy a farm in Dakota at a bargain should communicate with Wadsworth Land Co., Langdon, N. D.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
Bids for supplies required for the subsistence and maintenance of the inmates of the County Home of Lee county for the ensuing three months, beginning September 1, A. D. 1918, and ending December 1st, 1918, will be received by the County Home Committee of the Board of Supervisors of said Lee county, at the office of the county clerk up to 12 o'clock noon, Tuesday, September 10, A. D. 1918.

The list of supplies needed can be obtained at office of said county clerk.

The committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Dated September 3rd, 1918.
FRED G. DIMICK,
County Clerk.

WHAT GREAT WARS HAVE COST

Expenditures That in the Aggregate Amount to Sum Sufficient to "Stagger Humanity."

Recently the congress of the United States passed, almost without debate, the greatest budget in the history of the world, making available for Uncle Sam \$7,000,000,000 in order to carry on the war on a scale commensurate with its greatness. It is interesting, therefore, to compare with this the cost of other wars. The Napoleonic wars, which raged over Europe from 1793 to 1815, cost approximately \$7,000,000,000, or the same amount that congress provided for the United States to enter into the conflict, and that was only a beginning.

The Mexican war cost the United States about \$100,000,000, a comparatively trifling sum. The Civil war, however, was a very expensive affair, entailing the expenditure of \$8,000,000,000 from 1861 to 1865. The Franco-Prussian war cost the two nations engaged about \$3,500,000,000. The second South African war, from 1900 to 1902, cost \$1,500,000,000, the conflict between Russia and Japan consumed almost \$4,000,000,000, while the United States got off very cheaply in the Spanish-American war with an expenditure of \$175,000,000. The estimates on the outlay for the present war up to October 1 of this year were \$98,814,875,000.—Rocky Mountain News.

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: THE EVENING STORY :

The Desert--and a Man

By F. W. LUDWIG.

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Even the trail was gone. Only a line of telegraph poles remained, bleached yellow-white—as dry and dead as the land about them. Two wire threads flashed heat from pole to pole and quivered strangely. Stifling dust clouds settled on the teams and the yellow wagons assumed the color of their freight—cement for the most. Men swore wearily as the caravan followed the metallic line. A sun-baked riverbed crossed their way. They stopped. From out of the bed protruded an iron pump and near it lay a crude tower of planks. So they found Cheepetah—The Well of Lost Water.

Four men watched the empty wagons disappear in the dust. A line of cement sacks marked Cheepetah, a pile of lumber and a tent. The four returned to work, for the sun beat up on them mercilessly. They erected a flimsy shed. It offered shade, and they rested. Under a cliff that towered sheer they pitched the tent. Then ate of canned beef and sank to weary, exhausted slumber. And the moon shone on the desert and the coyotes howled.

They awoke to days of toil. Sheltered from the burning rays they labored under their shed—molding hollow blocks of cement. These they ranged neatly in long rows under a blazing sun—then staggered back to their refuge to curse and toil again. As the rows of finished blocks grew long the pile of cement sacks dwindled. So the four watched the line of telegraph poles. But the expected—string of yellow, dust-covered wagons—did not come. The last of the cement sacks emptied, they waited. The rest was good. They smoked calmly under the shed. Heat waves shimmered without and lizards played on the rocks. Within was drowsy peace and they sprawled on the sands content.

The fiery disk of red sank into the western ledges. They sought the tent. The canned beef was gone, so they ate dried prunes. Then slept. A mountain rat came slyly out of the night. The glittering tin spoons fascinated. It nosed among them eagerly upsetting the can with a crash. The man stirred uneasily and the rat fled. It returned warily, later on. When the four awoke two spoons were gone—and the dried-up prunes. They drank coffee and finished the last of the oatmeal—then smoked—and waited—under the shed. The day passed idly away. Only the lizards stirred and a buzzard—high above.

The rat came again when they slept. It carried away another spoon. It found the flour and feasted freely. In the morning they had coffee and six biscuits between them, then returned to their vigil. No wagons came. The inactivity wore on their tempers and they quarreled more bitterly that night, then slept restlessly.

The man heard the mountain rat rattle the spoon. He followed it out into the night—then forgot it. He bowed his head in his hands.

"God," he whispered, "it'll be hard to die—in such company."

Restless breathing came from the tent. Someone stirred and muttered oaths. The man gulped. He arose and went to the pump. The iron handle lifted lightly and dropped clanging on to its rest. The valves offered no resistance. The Well of Lost Water was dry!

"It'll come sooner now," he muttered dispassionately. He sat down on the empty well and slept.

With the morning came Thirst. Three men dug frantically in the well. The man remained calm. He sat under the shed and smoked. The three labored long, but found no trace of moisture. Then they quarreled fiercely—and fought. Unreasonable, brutish anger ruled them. Fear awoke the beast. The sun drove them to shelter, so they sank exhausted under the flimsy roof and glared at the telegraph poles. Nothing came. The sun shone cruelly and the sandstone ledges and the cactus quivered in the heat.

That evening they chewed coffee beans. The man who had been shunned the tent. He lay down among the rocks. His parched throat kept him awake. When he slept, feverishly, moaning a little, he dreamed. A coyote howled dismally, very near. He stirred, awoke, and stared hopelessly into the starlit skies above him. His eyes burned and his lips felt hot and cracked.

Only one man sat under the shed next day. He chewed an empty pipe. Near him lay three things. Gaunt, haggard things, that scanned the line of poles with glittering, animal eyes. Fear shone in the eyes—a restless, haunting fear. The things watched one another furtively. They cursed thickly now and again and fought—blindly, causelessly—when the slow coming of the Desert Death goaded them to desperate, insane activity. Then they glowered at the man—in tent, wolfishly. Snake-like they edged nearer—nearer.

The man saw the distant ledges tremble in the heat. He saw a ripple of water flick the sandstone. Spreading, a river of blue flowed gently. It touched the parched hills. A mat of green o'erspread them. Trees grew, and there came people. Great crowds of people, who cheered wildly, and flaunted colored banners. A boat ap-

peared. A long, narrow, tapering boat that cut into the waters and sped swiftly—all too swiftly. Bare-armed figures rowed with the regularity and precision of a machine. Oars flashed beautifully in the sun. Then, strangely the man felt every nerve a-tingle. Vaguely he knew he must fight—fight hard. He felt the sun strike his bare arms and shoulders. The desert sun. No—the—the—why the sun that shone on the Hudson—of course. He panted. He strained every muscle. Suddenly he heard a voice. It was counting—sharply, decisively! "One, two! one, two! Hit 'er up! Take the stroke! One, two!"

The man bent to his task—his oar flew. He heard the gurgle of the water. He must win—they must win. His vanity—his crew. They were gaining—gaining. Out of the corner of his eye he saw the other boat; two flashing oars, then three; then four; then only three again. The man gasped. How hot it was—how dry his throat! He wanted so to drink—drink—of that cool, blue water. But he couldn't—he couldn't. He must row—they must win. Suddenly they forged ahead. He heard a crash and a rending of wood. He saw the other boat strike something—go to pieces on a rock—a sandbar—a ledge. The river sank into the dust and the green died out of the hills.

A hard, dry sob shook the man. He staggered out into the blinding light—fell—and staggered on. Then crawled painfully, over the scorched sands. Trembling frightfully he drew himself on. He clawed at a pole—a telegraph pole. Weakly he held himself in an upright position. He babbled thickly.

"Love—lift—a Man—no quitter—fight," then shook off his delirium and tried to think.

"Wires," he muttered, "help—save them."

He looked up at the threads of steel above him. They were very low—just out of reach. He stretched up an arm, then fell heavily and rolled into the dry riverbed. And night came and the stars.

A coyote circled warily around the inert body. It approached, sniffed uneasily, and scratched in the baked sand; then dug quickly down—down.

The man stirred. The coyote fled and howled dolefully in the moonlight. The man, moaning miserably, dragged himself on.

"No quitter—fight—wires," he whispered, then pitched forward in sudden weakness. His head hung over the hole where the coyote had scratched. His neck muscles relaxed. His seared lips touched the sand. It was moist and cool! Desperate, despairing energy came upon him. He clawed the wet earth into his mouth, he sucked every little, life-giving drop from the gritty alkaline soil—then clawed again and groveled, his face in the mud. By and by reason returned and strength. The man scooped out handfuls of the saturated sand and drank greedily—but sanely.

He arose. With infinite, patient, heart-breaking toil he built a pyramid of stones. From its top he could just touch the wires. Another stone and another. He mounted his pile laboriously, swayed dizzily and clutched—blindly, wildly—at the steel line above him. His fingers closed convulsively. Then he lurched forward—and the wire snapped off short. Minutes passed—hours—ages. The man lay exhausted, breathing weakly. Another struggle and he regained his feet. He mounted the pyramid. The other wire snapped. And he fell and lay very still.

The government mule teams left the fort. Four troopers scanned the telegraph line carefully. Fifty, sixty, seventy miles, and they found the break—and the man. Cool, wet sand was in his hands and he tottered to the shed unseeing. The things scarcely breathed. He pressed the sand to their lips. Carefully, methodically he passed from one to the next. Then sought the riverbed again to bring more sand. The troopers stopped him, gently.

"No," he murmured. He reeled. "No—must save them—no quitter—fight—win." And he sank limply into their arms.

Legal Residence.

At a London police court an individual who had been affected by the Salvation Army was brought up, charged with being a lunatic wandering at large. The magistrate—a genial old gentleman—asked him if he had any friends.

"The Lord is my only friend," said the prisoner.

"Yes," said the magistrate; "but have you anybody who will become surety for you?"

"The Lord," said the prisoner again, "is my salvation. He will become surety for me."

"Yes; but you see," said the magistrate, hesitatingly, "I want the name and address of some friend of yours."

"Address?" shouted the prisoner; "why, the Lord is everywhere!"

"Well, you see," replied the magistrate, "for the purpose of bail we should require some more settled residence."

Another Exposure.

Mother (after the wedding)—Horror! I'm afraid Clara has made an awful mistake. Her affianced looked young, and had excellent credentials; but I do believe he's an impostor, and has been married dozens of times before.

Friend—Goodness! It can't be. Mother—But did you see him? At the altar he didn't drop the ring, or stumble over his own feet, or act like a half-witted donkey a bit. He's a fiend, and I know it.

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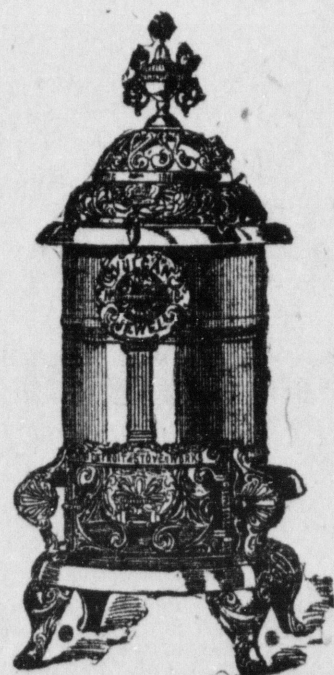
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